THE

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GILES SARFORD,
SETH MELLVILL.

All Persons indebted to said Estate are hereby required to make immediate Payment to

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*Newport, Nov. 6, 1797.*

For SALE, by

*George Champlin*

CLEAN Hemp—Ravens' Duck—Cordage of all Sizes—Old Sable Bar-Iron—Jamaica Spirits, per Hogshead, high proof—Russia Soap, per Box—Jamaica Sugar, per Barrel—Havannah Ditto, per Box—And a Quantity of Russia Cordage, well assorted, entitled to Drawback.

*Newport, August 21, 1797.*

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RUSSIA clean HEMP,
Raven's DUCK,
Russia DUCK,
Old Sable BAR-IRON,
CORDAGE, of all Sizes,
Hard SOAP, per Box.
And, MOLASSES by the Hogshead

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BRANDY by the Pipe, Quarter-Cask or Gallon; West-India Rum by the Barrel or Gallon; New England Rum by the Barrel or Gallon; Brown Sugars by the Box or Barrel; White Spanish Flour by Ditto; Loaf Sugar by the Hundred or Loaf.

Flour by the Barrel, fine and superfine; Souchong Tea, by the Dozen or Pound; Geneva, by the Barrel or Gallon; a general Assortment of Glass Ware; Liverpool Crockery Ware, consisting of best printed, enamel'd, pencil'd and common Ditto.

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*South Kingston, Nov 9 1797.*

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JOHN ELDRED,
ROBERT LAWTON, jun.

*Newport, Nov 16, 1797.*

*Drugs, Medicines, &c. &c.*

THE Subscribers having just received a fresh Supply of DRUGS, MEDICINES, PAINTERS COLOURS, DYE STUFFS, SPICES, &c. &c.—Take this Method to inform their Customers, both in Town and Country, that they can supply them with any of the above Articles, upon very moderate Terms.—

Among other Articles, they have

*For Painters,*

Linseed Oil, per Cask or Gallon,
White Lead,
Spanish White,
Venetian Red,
Red Lead,
Spruce Yellow,
Verdigrease,
Prussian Blue, 1st and 2d Quality,
Common Varnish,
Copal Ditto, &c. &c.

*For Clothiers & Hatters,*

Oil of Vitriol,
Blue Vitriol,
White Ditto,
Allum,
Copperas,
Ground Camwood,
Do. Madder,
Nutgalls,
Arcatto,
Liquid Sine,
Tartar, &c. &c.

*Patent Medicines,*

James's Analeptic,
Anderson's,
Hooper's,
Lee's,
Lockyer's,
Daffy's Elixir,
Godfrey's Cordial,
Balsam of Honey,
Lozenges of Tolu
Refin'd Liquorice
Cephalic Snuff,
Essence of Peppermint,
Haerlem Oil,
British Ditto,
James's Fever Powders
Pungent Smelling Salts,
Salts of Vinegar,
Steer's Opodeldoc,
Turlington's Balsam,
Walker's Jesuits Drops,
Glass's Magnesia,
Royal Tooth Powder,

Also Cassia, Pimento, Pepper, Cinnamon, Cloves, Mace, Nutmegs—Smelling Bottles and Tooth Brushes of various Kinds—Roll Brimstone by the Hundred.

Best Rhubarb by the Chest—English double refined Salt Petre, by the Hundred or Pound.

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*Newport, October 16 1797.*

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*Have for Sale, at their Store, on Mr. LANGLEY's Wharf,*

FRENCH Brandy, 1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th Proof; and best Holland Gin, per Pipe or Barrel.

Jamaica Spirits, West India and New England Rum, per Hogshead or Barrel.

London particular, Madeira, Sherry, and Malaga Wines, per Quarter Cask.

Gunpowder, Hyson, and Souchong Teas, per Chest or Dozen.

White and Brown Sugars, per Barrel.

Rumney's best, and No. 1 Chocolate, per Box.

Pepper and Pimento, per Bag.

Nutmegs, Cloves, Mace and Cassia, per lb.

Currants per C &c.

Sweet Oil & Anchovies, per Box or Dozen.

Cotton per Bag.

Window Glass per Box,

Best Hearth and Club German Steel, per Faggot or Bar.

White Lead and Spanish Brown, per Cask,

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A constant Supply of Superfine and Common Flour per Barrel—and a Variety of other Articles, which they will sell on the most moderate Terms.

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Tobacco and Snuff Manufactory.

*KAIGHN & CAHOONE,*

*A few Doors South of the New Lane,*

*INFORM their Friends and Customers that they carry on the above Business as usual and keep a constant Supply of the following Kinds of TOBACCO and SNUFF, by Wholesale and Retail, viz.*

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PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 29.

The following is the Address of the Senate, in answer to the Speech delivered by the President of the United States, at the opening of the Session:—

*To the President of the United States.*

SIR,

THE communications you have thought proper to make in your Speech, to both Houses of Congress, on the opening of their present session, afford additional proofs of the attention, integrity, and firmness, which have always marked your official character.

We cannot but approve of the measures you have taken to ascertain the state and decline of the contagious sickness which has so lately afflicted the city of Philadelphia; and the pleasing circumstance that Congress is now assembled at that place, without hazard to the health of its members, evinces the propriety of your having postponed a determination to convene the National Legislature at another place. We shall take into consideration the law of 1794, on this subject, and will readily concur, in any amendment which may be deemed expedient.

It would have given us much pleasure to have received your congratulations on the re-establishment of peace in Europe and the restoration of security to the persons and property of our citizens from injustice and violence at sea; but though these events so desirable to our country, and the world, have not taken place, yet we have abundant cause of gratitude to the Great Disposer of human events for interior tranquility and personal security—for propitious seasons—prosperous agriculture, productive fisheries, and general improvement; and above all, for a rational spirit of civil and religious liberty—and a calm but steady determination to support our sovereignty, against all open and secret attacks.

We learn with satisfaction, that our envoys extraordinary, to the French Republic, had safely arrived in Europe, and were proceeding to the scene of negociation—and whatever may be the result of the mission, we are satisfied, that nothing on your part has been omitted, which could in any way conduce to a successful conclusion of the negociation, upon terms compatible with the safety, honour, and interest of the United States—and we are fully convinced, that in the mean time, a manifestation of that unanimity and energy, of which the people of the United States, have given such memorable proofs—and a proper exertion of those resources of national defence which we possess, will essentially contribute to the preservation of peace, and the attainment of justice.

We think, Sir, with you, that the commerce of the United States, is essential to the growth, comfort and prosperity of our country—and that the faith of society is pledged for the preservation of the rights of commercial and seafaring, no less than of other citizens—and even if our negociations with France, should terminate favorably, and the war in Europe cease, yet the state of society which unhappily prevails in so great a portion of the world and the experience of past times, under better circumstances, unite in warning us that a commerce so extensive and which holds out so many temptations to lawless plunderers can never be safe without protection—and we hold ourselves obliged by every tie of duty which binds us to our constituents to promote and concur in such measures of marine defence as may convince our merchants and seamen that their rights are not sacrificed, nor their injuries forgotten.

We regret, that notwithstanding the clear and explicit terms of the Treaty between the United States and his Catholic Majesty, the Spanish garrisons are not yet withdrawn from our territory, nor the running of the boundary line commenced. The United States have been faithful in the performance of their obligations to Spain, and had reason to expect a compliance equally prompt on the part of that power. We still, however, indulge the hope, that the convincing answers which have been given to the objections stated by the Spanish officers, to the immediate execution of the treaty, will have their proper effect; and that this treaty so mutually beneficial to the contracting parties, will be finally observed with good faith. We, therefore, entirely approve of your determination to continue in readiness to receive the posts, or run the line of partition between our territory and that of the King of Spain. Attempts to alienate the affections of the Indians, to form them into confederacy, and to excite them to actual hostility against the United States, whether made by foreign agents, or by others, are so injurious to our interests at large, and so inhuman with respect to our

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citizens inhabiting the adjacent territory, as to preserve the most exemplary punishment, and we will cheerfully afford our aid in framing a law which may prescribe a punishment adequate to the commission of crimes so heinous.

The several objects you have pointed out to the attention of the Legislature, whether they regard our internal or external relations, shall receive from us that consideration which they merit, and we will readily concur in all such measures as may be necessary, either to fulfil our engagements at home, or to cause ourselves to be respected abroad. And at this portentous period, when the powers of Europe with whom we are connected by treaty or commerce are in so critical a situation; and when the conduct of some of those powers towards the United States is so hostile and menacing, the several branches of the government are, in our opinion, called upon, with peculiar importunity, to UNITE, and by union not only to devise and carry into effect those measures on which the safety and prosperity of our country depend, but also to undeceive those nations, who regarding us as a weak and divided people, have pursued systems of aggression inconsistent with the state of peace between independent nations. And, sir, we beg leave to assure you, that we derive a singular consolation from the reflection that at such a time the executive part of our government has been committed to your hands. For in your integrity, talents and firmness, we place the most entire confidence.

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TO WHICH THE PRESIDENT REPLIED:

Gentlemen of the Senate,

*I THANK you for this Address. When after the most laborious investigation and serious reflection, without partial consideration or personal motives measures have been adopted or recommended I can receive no higher testimony of their rectitude than the approbation of an Assembly so independent, patriotic, and enlightened, as the Senate of the United States.*

*Nothing has afforded me more entire satisfaction than the coincidence of your judgment with mine in the opinion of the essential importance of our commerce and the absolute necessity of a maritime defence. What is it that has drawn to Europe the superfluous riches of the other three quarters of the globe but a marine? — What is it that has drained the wealth of Europe itself into the coffers of two or three of its principal commercial powers but a marine?*

*The world has furnished no example of a flourishing commerce without a maritime protection; and a moderate knowledge of man and his history, will convince any one that no such prodigy ever can arise. A mercantile marine and a military marine must grow up together; one cannot long exist without the other.*

JOHN ADAMS.

United States, November 28, 1797.

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This day at twelve o'clock, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, attended by the members, proceeded to the President's, and there delivered the following Address:

SIR,

WHILE our sympathy is excited by the present sufferings of the citizens of Philadelphia, we participate in the satisfaction which you are pleased to express, that the duration of the late calamity was so limited, as to render unnecessary the expence and inconvenience that would have been incident to the convention of Congress in another place; and we shall readily attend to every useful amendment of the law which contemplates the event of contagious sickness at the seat of government.

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WHEREAS the Town of Newport, at their Meeting held the 6th Instant, appointed the Subscribers to assess said Town's Proportion of the Tax ordered by the General Assembly, of this State, at their last October Session, together with Two Hundred Dollars to pay the Expence of assessing and collecting the same.—Notice is hereby given to the Inhabitants of said Town, to bring in a List of their rateable Estates to either of us, at our respective Dwellings, within Ten Days from this Date.

NICHOLAS TAYLOR,
WALTER NICHOLS,
ANTHONY DIXON.
*Newport, December 11, 1797.*


DERRY *(Ireland)* Sept. 20.

Mr. O—ze, a respectable gentleman in the neighbourhood, received an anonymous letter, that his only daughter carried on an intrigue with the son of an eminent lawyer, then in the country.——The father listened to the tale—the innocent levities of his child, he construed into an unbecoming forwardness—he conceived her guilty—and the fondness of the father was overcast with gloom and grief. Distrust took place of confidence, and he meditated a deep revenge against the man whom he looked upon as the despoiler of a child's honour.—Pensive, gloomy, and distrustful, every effort of the daughter to cheer her fond parent, only served to rivet those opinions which he too hastily formed. The daughter apprehended a derangment of his mental faculties, and watched all his motions, with evident marks of fear and trembling. Thus were the pious assiduities of the child, imputed to a consciousness of guilt.

About a fortnight ago, the fatal evening arrived when death dropt the curtain on the shocking catastrophe.—The father repaired to a copse adjoining, his own garden, where he surprized the youthful lovers in amorous dalliance. Rage had stopped the power of utterance—he was about to present the fatal pistol at the fond pair.—Just at the instant his purpose was shaken by a piercing shriek.—It was the shriek of the daughter, who had watched her father, whom she feared had long resolved upon suicide.—She seized his arm—the parties made their escape:—The offending female it appeared, was her own waiting woman, who dressed herself in her mistress's cloaths to meet her lover.—The truth rushed on the father's mind, he had debased his darling child by his suspicion. He was in the act of committing murder—reflection stept not between him and death—he clapt the pistol to his own head and expired in the daughter's arms.—The young lady has fallen a victim to melancholy, and the return of her senses is hopeless.

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He gives the highest Price for Old GOLD and SILVER.

HE

Carries on the BAKING Business, as usual.—Has on Hand, SHIP and CABIN BREAD, of a good Quality.

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Five Dollars Reward.

RAN away, from the Subscriber, on the 2d of November inst. a Negro Servant Boy, named BIRAM, in the 19th Year of his Age; about 5 Fee 5 Inches high; has a Scar on his left Cheek, and on his Forehead; had on when he went away, a new low Crown Felt Hat, grey Jacket, old Trowsers, and old Shoes; wore and carried away Two Shirts, Two under Jackets, and an old Silk Handkerchief.—Whoever will take up and return said Runaway to the Subscriber, shall have the above Reward, and all necessary Charges paid, by

ROBERT BROWNING.

*Hopkinton, Nov.* 25. 1797.

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TO be Sold, an excellent open STOVE.—Inquire of the Printer.

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BY WHOLESALE,

400 Pieces of thick Muslins, of different Qualities and Widths,

50 Pieces Bandannoes,

100 Dimity Table Cloths,

200 Pieces India Calico.

1 Boxes Men's Yeoman Crown Hats.

J. B. jun. returns his Thanks to his former Customers, and requests a Continuance of their Favours.

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*Informs his Friends in particular, and the Public in general,*

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—Also, a Variety of Ladies BONNETS, of the Newest Fashion, direct from London.—A Quantity of Rice and Cotton; and Pitch, Turpentine, and Pickled Fish, by the Barrel.

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Litharge, White Vitriol, Painter's Brushes, Camel's Hair Pencils Spirits of Turpentine, Varnish, black Varnish of a superior Quality for Vessels, Rosin, Tar, &c. &c.

Any of the above Paints, ground in Oil or dry, properly prepared.

By sending the Dimensions of a House, Room, Vessel, &c. &c. their distant Customers may be supplied with a sufficient Quantity of Colours for any Work, on the shortest Notice, with Directions given therewith.

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He gives the highest Price for Old GOLD and SILVER.

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Carries on the BAKING Business, as usual.—Has on Hand, SHIP and CABIN BREAD, of a good Quality.

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Five Dollars Reward.

RAN away, from the Subscriber, on the 2d of November inst. a Negro Servant Boy, named BIRAM, in the 19th Year of his Age; about 5 Fee 5 Inches high; has a Scar on his left Cheek, and on his Forehead; had on when he went away, a new low Crown Felt Hat, grey Jacket, old Trowsers, and old Shoes; wore and carried away Two Shirts, Two under Jackets, and an old Silk Handkerchief.—Whoever will take up and return said Runaway to the Subscriber, shall have the above Reward, and all necessary Charges paid, by

ROBERT BROWNING.

*Hopkinton, Nov.* 25. 1797.

*N. B.* All Persons are forbid harbouring, employing, or carrying off said Negro, as they will be prosecuted to the utmost Penalty of the Law.

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TO be Sold, an excellent open STOVE.—Inquire of the Printer.

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*JOHN BOURS,* jun.

Respectfully informs his Friends and the Public in General, that he has just received at his Store, directly opposite General MARTIN's,

A prime and elegant Assortment of DRY GOODS, suitable for the Season, which he is determined to sell very low.

BY WHOLESALE,

400 Pieces of thick Muslins, of different Qualities and Widths,

50 Pieces Bandannoes,

100 Dimity Table Cloths,

200 Pieces India Calico,

1 Boxes Men's Yeoman Crown Hats.

J. B. jun. returns his Thanks to his former Customers, and requests a Continuance of their Favours.

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Stephen T. Northam

*Informs his Friends in particular, and the Public in general,*

THAT he has just received, and has for Sale, at his Store, opposite THOMAS GREENE's a large Assortment of

Fall and Winter Goods.

—Also, a Variety of Ladies BONNETS, of the Newest Fashion, direct from London.

—A Quantity of Rice and Cotton; and Pitch, Turpentine, and Pickled Fish, by the Barrel.

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Linseed-Oil & Painter's Colours.

James Cahoone & Son,

HAVE FOR SALE,

LINSEED-OIL, boil'd and unboil'd, per Cask or Gallon,

Best London White Lead, per Cask or smaller Quantity,

Spanish Brown, Ditto Ditto,
Whiting, Ditto Ditto,
Stone Yellow, Spruce Ditto,
Red Lead, Patent Yellow,
Verdigrease, Prussian Blue,
Gold Leaf, Silver Ditto.

Litharge, White Vitriol, Painter's Brushes, Camel's Hair Pencils, Spirits of Turpentine, Varnish, black Varnish of a superior Quality for Vessels, Rosin, Tar, &c. &c.

Any of the above Paints, ground in Oil or dry, properly prepared.

By sending the Dimensions of a House, Room, Vessel, &c. &c. their distant Customers may be supplied with a sufficient Quantity of Colours for any Work, on the shortest Notice, with Directions given therewith.

Also—9 by 7, and 8 by 6, Window Glass—and Putty.

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Coggeshall & Burdick,

At their shop, next Northward of Mr. James Taylor and Co. Apothecary's Shop, in Thames Street,

HAVE for Sale, a complete Assortment of Men's BOOTS and SHOES, of various Kinds.

Also, all Kinds of Women's Stuff Shoes, and Morocco Slips and Sandals.

Likewise, a great Variety of small Shoes and Sandals.

All Kinds of Shoes, made at the above-said Shop, on the shortest Notice.

They present their Thanks to their former Customers, and hope for a Continuance of their Favours.

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*JOHN ADAMS,*

*Respectfully informs the Public,*

THAT he carries on the LEATHER DRESSING Business, in all its Branches, next Southward from the Tan-Yard formerly occupied by Mr. William Tripp, and now by Mr. William Tilley.—Where may be had, Gloves of all Kinds, by the Dozen or single Pair.—Also Glove Leather by Ditto.—Wool for Hatting, Spinning, and Carpeting.—Bear Skins for Holsters, Caps, &c. and all Kind of Skins dressed, with the Fur on, at short Notice.

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*WANTED,*

TWO or Three active BOYS, about 14 or 15 Years of Age, to learn the Art of making PAPER, and Grinding CHOCOLATE, to which Twenty Dollars Bounty will be given, and good Encouragement, to every Boy that inclines to learn the above Business.

Christopher C. Olney.

*Who has for SALE,*

All Kinds of PAPER—and manufactures the best flavoured SNUFF and TOBACCO.

☞ CASH, and any of the above Articles, will be given, for Cotton and Linen RAGS, OLD SAIL-CLOTH, and damaged Hemp.

*Providence, Oct.* 17, 1797.